

## AROUND BENTON.

Prisoners in jail usually get very active just before circuit court. Of late Sheriff Guber has been on the watch and heard them at work. The other morning he noticed a dent in the jail door as if made by the end of a window weight. Assisted by Prosecutor Moyley a search was made and a window weight, an iron shoe last and a 3x4 piece of timber were found. With the timber and weight a pry was constructed and the pointed end of the last was used to hold whatever was gained in springing the door open. Dents in the timber showed that severe pressure had been used. The timber had been overlooked and left under the floor of a cell when last repaired. The weight was taken from a window. How they got the shoe last is not known.

There was a walkout—a strike—among the employees of the mill of the Scott County Milling Co. at Oran last week. One set of wage-slaves demanded living wages, but another set of wage-slaves were ready to take their places and the first set was let out until they get hungry and, on bended knees, ask for their jobs back. These mills work their slaves twelve hours per day on very low pay. This is why they have been able to increase the value of the stock about one hundred per cent per annum—“to divide up” I am not blaming the stockholders nor the management. It's the competitive wage system.

While here Wednesday Church Raspberry told of the mysterious disappearance of John D. Clymer, one of his neighbors. Saturday evening, Church says that he and Reuben Clymer tramped the woods all night and they got no clue of John until Monday when they learned that a steamer had unloaded him at Grand Tower, Ill. It seems that John took a boat to go to Illinois and tell his wife. He got in Tuesday.

The county union of the farmers meets here Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. It is to be hoped that the farmers will have a pleasant meeting. E. E. Brown, the delegate from Pike's Landing got in last Tuesday—a week ahead of time. When he learned of his mistake he admitted that it was “a horse on him.”

Church Raspberry, of Pleasant Hill, brought his sister, Mrs. Frances Wilburn, to Benton Wednesday. Mrs. Wilburn is visiting her niece, Mrs. R. L. Stubblefield. She is in her 86th year and is a well-preserved woman. Mrs. Wilburn was born in Tennessee and came to Scott county in 1832.

Only two carpenters—G. C. Brasher and Lawrence Doherty—remain to finish up the Kicker building. Whit Dodge has joined Linus Allen's forces over in the addition where Linus is putting up cottages that will “hurt your eyes.”

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Harris has been very sick this week. Mrs. M. V. Harris, of Morley, and Mrs. A. A. Lynch, of Commerce, called to see the little sufferer Wednesday. Flax is reported as the trouble.

Tuesday W. O. Roda, of Diehlstadt, arrived in town looking for the meeting of the county farmers' union. Like Mr. Brown, he was too quick. County union officials should give the dates more publicity. Space is free.

L. P. Woodward and Mrs. J. W. Arbrough, of Vanduser, passed through on the train Tuesday. Mrs. Arbrough on her way to Commerce and Mr. Woodward on his way to St. Louis to buy fall and winter goods.

J. W. Heeb, of Chaffee, was here Tuesday and says his town needs a good school teacher. Principal Emerson has resigned owing to ill health.

Ed Garvey and daughter Miss Rose, of Moccandonia, were here Tuesday. Miss Rose will remain with Mrs. Guber until after court.

Mrs. Anna Hawkins returned from Oklahoma Tuesday, where she went to have her land entry satisfactorily proved up.

Chas. Dedittus, the Teachout prospector, is here doing the plumbing in the Kicker building.

Charles Bertrand and daughter, Miss Louise, left for St. Louis Monday to go on a week.

R. W. Miflin and sons, of Sikeston, have begun the plaster work on the Kicker building.

Doe Dryden, formerly of the Puxico Index, was a caller at the Kicker Wednesday.

Miss Eva Dunkin, who has been visiting Mrs. J. S. Freeling left for St. Louis Tuesday.

Quite a number of cases of measles are reported among the children of Benton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Crutchenfield, of Richwoods, were here Tuesday.

W. H. Tanner, of Sikeston, was a caller at the Kicker shop Monday.

A questionable character named Marr was brought from Sikeston to Benton jail accused of robbing John McKee, a Minner's Switch farmer, of about \$150. Marr was arrested at Cairo.

Chaffee is a loud town. Every saloon is represented on the town board. It is always so in towns where saloons exist.

For Sale—Six squares tin roofing in good condition. Kicker.

## FROM ORAN.

The public school commenced on Monday, the 30th, under very unfavorable circumstances. The work on the building of the addition to the school building has made slow progress and it will be some time before it is completed. To start the school at the present time necessitated the renting of additional rooms and these were not suitable for the purpose and the teachers will labor under many disadvantages. The necessary black-boards, seating capacity and sufficient light could not be had. Nevertheless the attendance was good.

Uncle John Friend went through the present school building—interviewed the pupils—then looked over the addition being erected. “Magnificent!” said he. “When I first came to this country 'twas one vast swamp. Where J. W. Clemson's house stands my grandfather had a wolf trap. Wild game of all kind was plentiful and the stock fattened on the range. No man would have then believed these changes could have been brought about.”

Marshall Fink had an elephant on his hands last week. He had arrested a reckless, devil-may-care wretch for disturbing the peace. Taken before the mayor he was fined \$5 and costs. Next morning Fink tried to have him work on the streets but the prisoner was one of that class that never worked, hence he flatly refused. He was brought to the main street of the town and chained to a post. About the third day the prisoner slipped off his shoe, then the chain and gave them leg bail.

While one of the classes in one of the assistant's room were reciting, the teacher spoke of some of the great poets and of their lives. Then turning to the class she asked, “Who is it that we all like—that we all love?” Little Lucile Williams was on her feet in an instant. “I know,” she said. “Who?” “I know,” she said. “Why, Mr. Allen?” A general laugh followed.

By the time this is in print a number of farmers will be busy sowing wheat. Several advocate early sowing—that the early sown always gives the best yield while others are as firm in the belief that early sown never does as well—the plant is liable to be injured by insects and hence the wheat is not even over the ground. Almost every farmer has a different opinion on this as other farm topics.

There were no services at either of the protestant churches Sunday. Rev. Whitfield was transferred to Cape Girardeau and Rev. S. R. Bowman and family are visiting relatives in Bollinger county. Rev. Morris, who is to take charge of the M. E. Church here, is expected to arrive here this week.

Oran always keeps abreast of the times. Other cities have their strikes and the laborers of Oran can do likewise. Last week about a dozen of the employees at the mill went to the office of the superintendent and demanded a raise in wages. The boys were let down and out.

John Heeb, of Chaffee, was here Saturday. John, who is a member of the school board there, says that some of the rooms are so crowded that they have thought it best to admit half the pupils in the forenoon and the others in the afternoon. Why not build?

There is a big demand for fruit here. Apples are scarce. A man from Flat River bought ten bushels of Charley St. Cit at \$1.25 per bushel. By-the-way, Charley, the lady who promised those apples is expecting you to deliver them.

Miss Theresa McLean, after attending the wedding of her friend and schoolmate at Campbell and the conference of the M. E. Church, South, at West Plains, returned home Thursday and began school work the following Monday.

Dr. Elwood Alley, of Chaffee, and a school director there were in town Monday and reported that Prof. Emerson, principal of the school there, had resigned on account of bad health.

The turn of office is serving notices on all parties that have failed to send their children to school. One party—the father of four—says he will shake the dust of Oran from his feet and seek another location.

H. C. Allmon says he got tired of being gazed at as the laziest man in the place and has left from his feet and seek another location.

Mrs. Marshall, of Charleston, came up Tuesday and installed the officers of the Rebeckah Lodge. All or about all, the members of the order were present and were interested in the installation.

Miss Frazier, of Mississippi, was here Saturday and rented rooms to begin her school in instrumental and vocal music in.

Walter N. Bridges, of Effingham county, Ill., proprietor of the Oran Packing Co., arrived Monday. He will deal exclusively in the poultry and egg business.

Miss Estelle Query, teacher in the public school, was reported sick on Monday and unable to take charge of the work.

Celestine Finley was here Saturday. From the frequency of his visits one would naturally suppose that Oran had some attraction for Celestine.

Lon Atherton has about concluded to let the hidden treasures remain in the hills on his farm residence

and move to Morley. Josie Forbes should have been more definite in the location.

Mrs. Welker, living in one of the mill houses, died suddenly Tuesday morning from heart trouble. Miss Mabel Meyers, who is attending Elmwood Seminary at Farmington, is sick.

## FROM KESLO.

John Enderlee, of Luxemburg settlement, left for St. Louis Thursday noon.

Mrs. George Glueck and daughter, Mrs. Alois Felter, made a flying trip to Cape Girardeau Thursday.

The little three year old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Seyer died Friday noon and was buried at the Catholic cemetery Saturday.

Mrs. F. C. Miller, of Oran, visited with her sister, Mrs. Louis Dohogne, a few days last week.

John F. Sailer and wife left Monday noon for St. Louis. Mr. Sailer probably goes there to purchase a stock of hardware, which he and Pete Compas will put in the building vacated by the late firm of Schofield & Padan.

Daniel Georgsr, Sr., one of our reliable farmers, had a very severe and sudden attack of sickness Friday and Saturday of last week. We haven't learned what his ailments were.

Rev. F. Klein left Monday for St. Louis, where he expects to remain until Saturday.

Louis Calliott and wife returned from Winegarten Sunday, where they had been to visit Mrs. Calliott's parents.

Geo. L. Albert, former cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, of this place, but now in the mercantile business at Cape Girardeau, passed through here Monday on his way to Morley, where he is acting as cashier of the Scott County Bank, during the illness of L. L. Hunter, cashier of that bank.

Chas. G. Diebold left Monday night for St. Louis.

Farmers are busy sowing wheat at this time. Although some fields are rather dry and cloddy they seem to think that it is time to be sowing.

George Rodenmayer (father of our doctor, Henry Rodenmayer) and Daniel Maurer, of Cape Girardeau, drove through our town Tuesday, headed for Benton.

Squire L. J. Dannenmueller had business at Benton Monday.

During the absence of John F. Sailer, our saddler, (which will be only a few days) our barber, Amos L. Drury, will manage to wait on Mr. Sailer's customers.

George J. Thomas returned from Quincy, Ill. Saturday night and brought with him his bride.

## FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Our steple was nearly completed but the people of our parish became dissatisfied and will build it twenty-five feet higher.

John G. Scherer returned from St. Louis, where he sold a lot of cattle, bringing with him a new buggy.

Frank and Ben Wilhelm and their sister from Cary visited their brother John, here Sunday.

Thursday was Henry Grojean's birthday. As usual it was celebrated with a dance that night, at which a very large crowd was present.

John Kihlhofer and Mrs. Wm. Legrand are among the sick.

Theon and Joe Grojean and Misses Ida and Clara Menz spent Sunday at Oran.

Most of the farmers are busy sowing wheat.

The dance at Joe Hahn's Saturday night was well attended.

## FROM BLODGETT.

Albert Marrs and family departed Monday for their new home at Success, Ark.

Tom Horton spent Sunday with J. E. Marshall at Sikeston.

Rev. Elmer G. Peal left the first of the week to attend Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tenn.

Claude Hale and Ed. Nunnelee spent Sunday afternoon with friends at Charleston.

Miss Kate Shuppert, of Fredericktown, spent a few hours here the first of the week.

Mrs. Shell and daughter, Miss Lelo, and Miss Fasset, of Charleston, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ruskay Gentry Sunday.

Harris Rodgers, of Oran, spent Sunday with his sister, Miss Kate.

Vance Montgomery resigned his position with Stubbs, Marshall Mer. Co. and left Monday eve for his home at Charleston.

J. D. Green went to Glen Allen Sunday.

Perry Keeling and Will Montgomery went to St. Louis Sunday.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Sealed bids will be received at the office of the County Surveyor, Benton, Missouri, until 5 o'clock p. m., Monday, October 21, A. D. 1907 for building a wooden bridge over Little River on the Vanduser and Belle City Public Road.

Plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Surveyor of Scott County, Missouri.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of the county court. J. E. Warner, County Surveyor.

## FROM COMMERCE.

Dr. Blackledge and son visited at Cape Girardeau Monday.

Wm. Canham left for Springfield Ill. Saturday.

Arthur Gaither and W. G. Anderson are at Springfield, Ill. this week.

Web Pell went to Memphis, Tenn. this week.

A salute was fired as the president passed down the river Tuesday.

Mesdames Bonneton and Stubblefield and Miss Daisy Leedy, of Benton, were in town Monday.

Miss Sadie DeWint came down from Cape Girardeau, where she is attending the Normal, Saturday—accompanied by Miss Ringer. They returned Monday.

## FROM CROOKED CREEK.

A. J. Penn and Arthur Clymer are working the roads and repairing bridges.

Mrs. Fannie Gibbs is sick.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Lackey, of Cape Girardeau, visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reynolds, of Edna, visited home-folks Sunday.

Mesdames Alice Daily and Maggie Taylor, of Commerce, spent Wednesday at Mrs. Wm. Malugen's.

Mrs. Louis and Miss Josie Totty are visiting at Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Malugen visited her sister, Mrs. Canzanda Clymer, at Edna Saturday.

Thos. Matthews is visiting his daughter, Mrs. T. C. Blankenship, in St. Louis.

## FROM MACEDONIA.

Our school started Monday with Jake Smith as teacher.

Jim Hagerty, Jim Hopkins and Munroe Parks, of Fayette, Ill., and Miss Bell Garvey, of Commerce, were in this neighborhood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams visited at Oran this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Belk, of Rockview, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Miller, Sunday.

Miss Caroline Schvitz, who has been visiting at Edna, returned home Sunday.

Miss Lydia Will and brother, Edward, of Illinois, were in this vicinity Sunday.

Miss Cecil Spradlin is sick.

Mrs. P. Daugherty, who has been quite sick for sometime, is improving.

## FROM CROSS PLAINS.

Lee Morrow and wife, of Hickory Grove, visited Mr. Utage last Sunday.

Ernest Martin is over from Illinois for a short stay.

Walter Abbott and Arthur Clore, both of Commerce, attended the box supper here on last Saturday night.

The box supper that was announced in last week's paper was a success. Only eleven boxes were brought but they were sold at the average price of ninety-two and eight-eighths cents. A cake was sold to the prettiest girl. Miss Ernie Gehrig was the fortunate one. The cake brought \$24.33. The total receipts were \$34.53. This will make a good supplement to our library.

## FROM MORLEY.

Naoma, the 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Minner, died at Fredericktown, after an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were held in Morley by Revs. Walton and England. Deceased was buried in the Morley cemetery.

She leaves a father, mother and two brothers to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Hudson has just returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilson at Allenville.

A little child of Frank Newlin's died Sunday morning.

Editor O. C. Williams passed our school Monday. We are always glad to see the editors.

J. W. Black, of Illinois, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Francis Norman, of Bell City, is visiting relatives here.

R. H. McLean, of Oran, was in Morley Monday.

Rev. England has been sent by the conference from Blodgett to Grandin.

The farmers think, that owing to the slow maturity of the late peas, the crop of seed peas will be much shorter than last year.

Some of the progressive farmers are talking of putting up a paper mill to use some of the fine straw that is burned every year.

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## Patronize the Kicker.

# Cooney & Hayner's Boat Show!

## Best on River.

# COMMERCE

## Saturday Night

# October 5th.

## FROM HICKORY GROVE.

Mrs. W. A. Miller and son, Wade, of Benton, spent Saturday night with Mrs. James Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Strayhorn visited W. A. Miller at Benton Sunday.

Mrs. John Beckman and baby and Miss Clara Sutherland visited Mrs. Heney near Chewnings Chapel Sunday.

Byrd Turner move to the Tucker farm and Jerry Wallace moved to the place vacated by Byrd.

Lee Strayhorn, Tom Turner, Ed and Tom Hodgkiss, Amos Morrow and Miss Tillie Hodgkiss attended the box supper at Cross Plains Saturday night.

Lem Strayhorn and family were visiting in Cape last week.

L. L. Nuckles has begun erecting a dwelling on his recently purchased farm.

James Morrow bought 40 acres adjoining him from Geo. Tucker for \$900.

## FROM VANDUSER.

Miss Maggie Vaughn visited home-folks Sunday.

Robt. Joyce and Josh, William and Chas. Mason and families spent last week fishing on Little River.

James Wallace was over across the river looking after his cattle Friday.

Walter Hogland and Mr. Brook are painting the residence of Mrs. Ella Joyce.

Our saw mill is not doing very much.

Frank Merritt and wife, of McMullen, were in town last week.

Miss Eva Joyce is very sick.

The ice-cream supper Saturday night at the school house was very well attended.

Miss Mae Bryeans is sick.

Tom Scott and Louis Tanner, of Chaffee, are visiting here.

## FROM WARD'S SWITCH.

W. M. Leek and family moved to near Brook's Junction Thursday.

Bud Grisham, of Blodgett, spent Sunday with Charlie Diamond.

Misses Maud and Susie Diamond are visiting friends at Vanduser.

Eph. Madden, who moved to Portageville last spring, has returned to reside here.

Walt Brown moved to Richwoods last week.

George Diamond is having the chills.

Vergia, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josh Kirby, is quite sick with typhoid fever.

TRUSTEE'S SALE. Whereby, by their certain deed of trust, bearing date of the 21st day of June, 1906, being duly acknowledged and recorded in trust record book number 18, at page 325, being one of the land records of the County of Scott, State of Missouri, J. H. McLean, as trustee, the following described real estate lying, being and situate in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

Lot No. twenty-seven (27) in Block No. Five (5) in the town of Chaffee, Scott County, Mo. Which said conveyance was in trust to secure the payment of a certain promissory note therein particularly described, and whereas, default has been made in the payment of said note and the interest thereon, and by virtue of the authority vested in me, will on

at the court house door in the town of Benton, Scott County, State of Missouri, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, offer for sale at public auction the highest bidder for cash in hand, the above described real estate, to pay said note, with cost of executing this trust.

Small Consultation. The man who has signed a 30-day note can get no consolation from the discovery that ink marks will last only 30 years.

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SHERIFF'S SALE IN PARTITION. By virtue and authority of an order of sale made by the circuit court of Scott county, Missouri, at its April term, held on Wednesday, April 24, 1907 (a certified copy of which was issued from the office of the clerk of said court and delivered to me), that certain suit now pending in said court, wherein Alexander Henderson is plaintiff and Edward Henderson, Jefferson D. Henderson, William J. Wade, Robert B. Wade, Chapman W. Wade, Julia V. Wade and Lella M. Freeling are defendants, and to me directed, I the undersigned sheriff will on

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1907, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon, at the court house door in the town of Benton, county and state aforesaid, sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, upon the terms herein before specified, all the real estate in said order of sale described as follows, to-wit:

The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) in township twenty-eight (28), north of range thirteen (13) east, containing eighty acres more or less.

Terms—Cash. LOUIS P. GORR, Sheriff Scott Co. Mo.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue and authority of a general execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the county of Scott, State of Missouri, dated the 1st day of June, 1907, returnable to the Clerk, 1907, term of said court, and to me directed, I the undersigned sheriff will on

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